EAGLE ISLAND TASK FORCE

MEETING NOTES FOR MAY 24, 2006

In attendance, Mayor Nancy Merrill, Tom Chelstrom, Ernie Lombard, Bob Bruce, Sen. Hal Bunderson, Nancy Vannorsdel, Mayor Tammy de Weerd, Linda Clark, Justin Hayes, Rep. Margaret Henbest, Dave Ricks, Jeff Miles, Tom Long, Doug Strong, Jim Hall, Katy Moeller, Sen. Elliot Werk, Council Woman Elaine Clegg, Rep. Max Black, Gary Shelley, Jim Thomas, Bob Meinen, Rick Just, Dan Baker, Jan Johns

- Mayor Merrill requested that a meeting be set up between the Director of Fish and Game, one of their Board members and other Fish and Game staff that was deemed necessary along with IDPR Director, Ernie Lombard, Rick Just and Linda Clark.
- 2. What is the revenue amount that is received from the cell tower?
- 3. When was the Eagle Island Master Plan last updated for NPS? (Answer: 2000)
- 4. Need more information on the replacement policy of mitigated lands.
- 5. Need update on what is currently being planned development-wise for the Eagle area.
- 6. Need review of limitations of development to the areas of Eagle Island State Park
- 7. Need further information of flood protection of Eagle Island State Park. Where would floodwaters be diverted if development of Eagle Island State Park prevented the area to accept the overflow and/or how to protect Eagle Island State Park from flooding when heavy snow pack is an issue? Ask for FEMA's opinion on the park's ability to absorb floodwaters.
- 8. Present an overview of possible State water trail (60 miles) from Lucky Peak to the Snake River as discussed by Tom Chelstrum of REI.
- 9. Task Force would like to review the public questionnaire before it is sent out.
- 10. Ernie is to present 8 step process for deciding outcome at next meeting using
 - □ Look at all possible **goals** >narrow down goals

- What is the reality of the goals. What are the issues.
- □ **Concept** of other parks. Can they be used for this park.
- Determine the needs
- How does it function
- Time What's the history of Eagle Island/vicinity and what's the future
- □ **Economic** Outcome What's it going to cost and what will be the revenue
- □ **Form** How will it come about
- 11. Need to make sure public is aware of the meetings and the process taking place...news releases and hot links on state/city websites
- 12. Task Force should float both North and South Channels of the park Tom Long will assist with raft.
- 13. Trails map (water and foot) across the valley (Judy Peavey-Derr said "Ross" had it)
- 14. Nancy Vannorsdel requested that the Dec. 31st committee expiration date be extended. Representative Henbest said that the request for carryover would be well received by Legislators. Senator Werk said that they would want a progress report.
- 15. The next meeting of the committee will be scheduled for a full day. Possible topics include (in addition to the above) an overview of how Eagle Island State Park fits in/impacts planning processes such as Blueprint for Good Growth and COMPASS (particularly regarding transportation issues), a presentation by Ernie Lombard on a process he has successfully used in the past, review of the proposed survey, discussion of flooding issues and opportunities, a GIS overview of outdoor recreation facilities in the valley, an overview of trails and river trails for the valley, a presentation on what the sideboard limitations are on the park, and beginning a working relationship with Fish and Game.